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## **STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER ACTIVATED TO MONITOR TSUNAMI WARNINGS AND ADVISORY**

JBER, Alaska - The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) activated today to respond to the recent Tsunami Warning and Advisories issued for the Western Aleutians. The SEOC preparedness level is currently at level 2; this indicates that the SEOC is staffed and responding to the Tsunami Warning and Advisories. The Tsunami Warning was generated by 8.0 magnitude earthquake that occurred 25 miles NW of Amchitka, Alaska. The SEOC has not received reports of damage or injury.

As of 2:44pm the Tsunami Warnings have been modified to Advisories. A number of aftershocks have been reported

The SEOC activated its automated tsunami notification system and individually called each of the communities in the tsunami warning and advisory area. All communities in the warning and advisory area received notification and initiated their tsunami evacuation plans as local leadership deems necessary.

For seismic information, visit the Alaska Earthquake Information Center at <http://www.aeic.alaska.edu/>

For tsunami information, visit the National Tsunami Warning Center at <http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov/>

The SEOC will continue to monitor the situation and stands ready to provide emergency assistance if requested by a community.

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